

## ANCESTOR WORSHIP MILLESTONE ABOUT NECK OF ORIENTAL

Lamont, New York Banker,  
Points Out Hindrance to  
Progress of Chinese.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The Chinese have the capacity, industry and character to make themselves a progressive modern nation, but are obstructed in their progress by the lengths to which they carry ancestor worship, according to Thomas W. Lamont, of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., one of the leading authorities on China in the United States. Mr. Lamont organized the fight on famine in China a year ago.

Mr. Lamont declared the gains by China at the Washington conference were enormous, but that the Orientals would have to give up their ancestor worship if they were to take advantage of all benefits to be derived from the conference decisions. Substitution of Christianity for Confucianism was suggested to Mr. Lamont by one Chinaman as the solution of that nation's difficulties.

"No one can exaggerate the importance of the return of Shanghai to the Chinese," Mr. Lamont said. "We have heard of the matter for many months. It probably played its part in defeating the Treaty of Versailles in the senate. So much had been said of it that when the Japanese agreed to return it the fact was passed over in the newspapers rather lightly."

"Significance of Question."  
"But no one who has been in China recently could fail to realize the vital significance of this question. The news will be received with relief and delight beyond measure in China."

The tremendous boycott against Japan, started by Chinese students, swept the whole country, and its effect on Japan was very unfavorable. This agreement now puts Japan out of the charge of nations that need to be boycotted.

"There is no more orderly community than China in the world, the people are orderly. For instance, there were 23,000 arrests in Peking in one year—not so many considering the great size of the population—and of these only 245 were for a breach of the peace."

"The Chinese are a great, honest, frugal, industrious people who love peace, who love their families and who are moving on toward the light and who are looking to us every moment for help."

Mr. Lamont praised the United States for coming to China's aid at the time of the famine last year and declared that the promptness and effectiveness of the work was largely due to the prompt assistance rendered by John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

"Few things have stirred the Chinese people," he said, "as the great buildings of the Rockefeller medical center going up in the center of Peking, to be the focus of medical education, sanitation and health for 400,000, 600 people."

## BRITISH MAGNATE SAYS ENGLAND WILL PAY DEBT

LONDON, March 2.—Assurance that Great Britain will pay her debt to the United States were given to America Thursday by Lord Inchcape, railroad magnate and financier and a member of the Goddard economy committee.

In discussing the debt question, Lord Inchcape said: "America need have no doubt as to the stability of British finance. We shall live within our income and pay our way without borrowing any more money. We will reduce our debt."

This was regarded as indicative of general readiness in official and business circles in Britain over the debt of the United States funding commission in announcing what the debt demands will be.

Business leaders declare there cannot be a trade revival until American funding terms are known. Officials are anxious to know the terms before proceeding with proposed budget reductions.

## PARIS FINDS WAY TO END AUTO SLAUGHTER

PARIS, March 2.—The Prefect of Police of Paris, Robert Louillier, has found a radical means of obliging drivers of motor vehicles in the streets to be more careful. So many accidents to pedestrians have occurred through carelessness that M. Louillier has issued instructions that in future when any motor vehicle runs down a pedestrian or is in any way responsible for serious collisions the car shall be confiscated and put under seal and the driver sent to prison.

Should the driver be found guilty he shall serve a term of imprisonment and his car will be sold. If left free he shall be allowed to regain possession of his car and only receive a severe reprimand. These instructions have taught motor drivers in Paris to be extremely cautious.

## Chinese Find Eggs of Pigeon 'Stop Smallpox'

SHANGHAI, China, March 2.—According to the Chinese Press Chinese here have discovered an infallible safeguard against smallpox. Some genius has found that pigeons' eggs are a "tonic food" and that a person dieted with the same is in no danger of contracting smallpox. The rumor has spread around town and there is a rush to purchase pigeons' eggs, and the same are now in great demand at the extraordinary price of seven cents apiece.

"Truly," as one editor observed, "the spectacle of the public gullied by a silly rumor is enough to make an intelligent man laugh."

Especially, it may be added, the man who has pigeons' eggs for sale.

## GOTHAM STORM GIVES WORK TO 5,000 MEN

NEW YORK, March 2.—More than 5,000 snow shovellers were at work Thursday clearing away the two inches of snow which the tall end of Wednesday night's storm left in the city's streets. The weather forecasters predicted rain and sleet before the end of the day.

## Kidnaped Youngster Reveals Hoax Wife Plays on Husband

Walter Greenwood, Estranged From Wife, and Later  
Reconciled, Was Led to Believe Curly Haired Little  
Girl Was His Own Daughter.



Addie Comfort, girl recovered by family two years after being kidnaped.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., March 2.—Tragedy rivaling the human drama of screen and stage has been crammed into the brief life of 11-year-old Addie Comfort—until recently known as Addie Greenwood.

Suddenly it has ended, bringing to a close a two-year search for a little girl with brown curls, central figure of a kidnapping mystery.

Accidentally brought to the attention of the children's society, the little girl stoutly declared her name was not Greenwood. She cried a great deal and begged not to be sent back to Mrs. Margaret Greenwood, with whom she had been living.

"She makes me call her 'Mother' but she isn't my own mama," the child said, in tears. "I want to go to my Auntie Toots."

An inquiry was set in motion. All the child could tell was that her "Auntie Toots" lived in Pennsylvania. Letters were sent to many Pennsylvania towns—"Had a child been lost?"

Long Search Futile.  
From Hawley, Pa., came news of the two-year search for little Addie Comfort. Next came William Harrigan, of Johnson City, Addie's grandfather. He hugged her, and she stopped crying when he told her that "Auntie Toots" was coming, too.

It was revealed that "Auntie Toots" is Mrs. Jacob H. Kyser, the little girl's aunt, with whom she had been living in Hawley since she was a baby. Her father is dead and her mother is married again.

These revelations caused the police to place Mrs. Greenwood, now ill in a Syracuse hospital, under surveillance. Meantime Police Chief Cadin has set on foot a country-wide search for the man Mrs. Greenwood accuses of having kidnaped the little girl two years ago.

Police say Mrs. Greenwood has signed a statement. And her husband, Walter Greenwood, has declared that he believed Addie to be his own child. He and his wife were separated a dozen years ago and when they became reconciled two years ago he thought the nine-year-old child was his, born shortly after the separation.

"I want my Auntie Toots," the little girl said today. "She's coming to get me—and I'm so glad. I don't want ever to go back to 'Mother'—I mean Mrs. Greenwood."

"She often said I would be sorry if I ever told him—Mr. Greenwood—that I wasn't his little girl, or if I told anybody else. I was scared and I didn't tell. But every night I used to cry and hope and hope my Auntie Toots would come."

Showman Enters.  
Addie remembers that a long time ago—two years ago—her aunt had to leave her home in Hawley to see a sick relative, and she was sent to Mrs. Greenwood, a neighbor, till the aunt, Mrs. Kyser, returned. That night, she said, some man came and induced Mrs. Greenwood and herself to get up and walk to the next town and take a train.

Mrs. Greenwood's statement, police say, explained that she was in the employ of a man who operated a traveling show and that he said he would take the little girl away and put her into the show. They had remained in Hawley until he recovered from an illness. Then they left together.

In Syracuse the showman deserted them and, seeking reconciliation with her husband, she told him the little girl with her was their child.

RICHEST NEGRESS IN  
WORLD IS MISSING  
DALLAS, Tex., March 2.—Mystery today surrounded the whereabouts of Lillie Taylor, reputed to be the richest negro woman in the world.

Friends of Lillie here said they did not know whether she was "working out," or whether she had gone to Shreveport to confer with her attorneys following the decision handed down in the New Orleans court upholding Lillie's claim to valuable Louisiana oil lands.

The decision, which found Lillie the lawful heir of Lona McGee, was the last step in the long court fight to give the negress her fortune.

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## ITALIANS WOULD JOIN WITH U. S. TO EXPLOIT EAST

Fiume Episode Forgotten by  
Romans Who Would Expand  
Nation's Commerce.

ROME, March 2.—Italian industrialists are anxious to get into business with America for the exploitation of the Near-Eastern market. A plan which is common to many of the big manufacturers and Italian exporters is to purchase raw materials in America, manufacture them in Italy and sell them to Turkey and the neighboring countries. Italy is without doubt the first western power in the hearts of the Turkish nationalists.

Italian ill-will against America, which rose to such a heat during the Fiume incidents, has entirely died down. The Italians explain that their demonstrations were against Mr. Wilson, and not against the American people. But it is quite probable that their difficulties since with other nations have helped to efface the memories of Fiume.

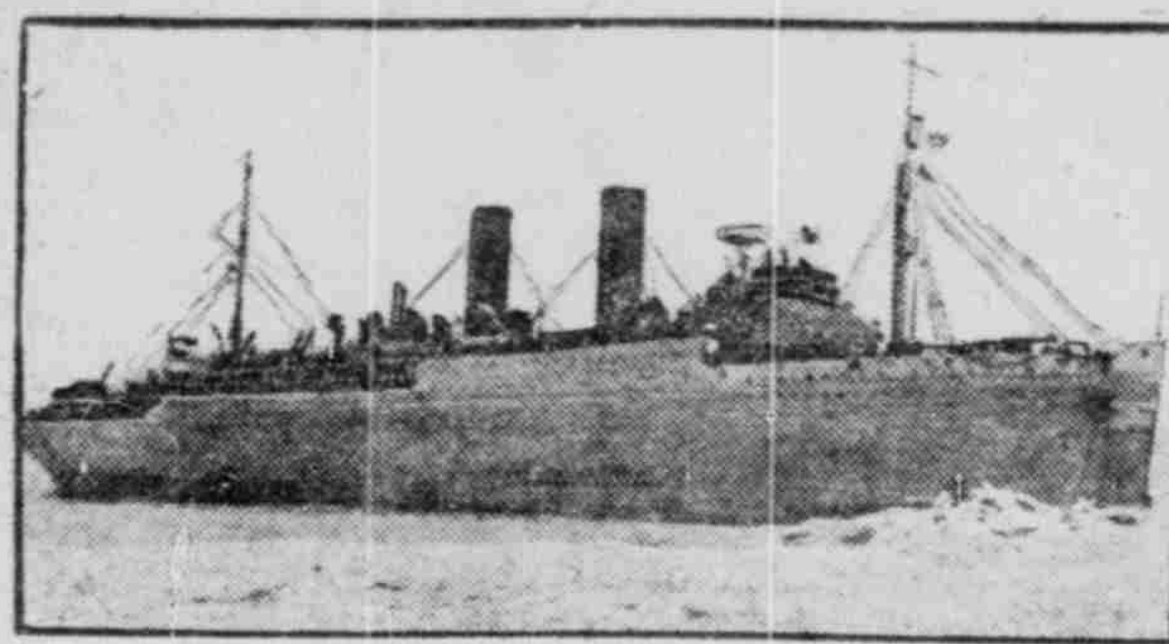
Italy's Attitude Explained.  
Generally speaking, Italy's attitude to her neighbors may be described as follows:  
America—Very friendly and anxious for close relations.

England—Indifferently friendly, with a recognition of the necessity of getting along with England, and of a limited economic dependency on the British Isles.

France—A very keen dislike, which in many quarters would merit an even stronger expression.

Germany—Italy has a keen ap-

## Former Troopship on Fire



This is the Northern Pacific, former U. S. transport, which caught fire off the Jersey coast. The crew took to the lifeboats. Four are reported killed. The boat was known as a "jinx ship." When in use as a troopship it went ashore on Fire Island.

preciation that because of her own depreciated currency she must do business with Germany, whose low mark makes commercial relations possible. Fear that Germany is attempting to secure an economic domination of Italy keeps alive a distrust of her former enemy. But there is no feeling of hate such as is found in France.

Rather Sorry for Austria.  
Austria—Italy feels that Austria is down and out and is rather sorry for her former foe. The healing of the ancient sore is best evidenced by the fact that thousands of Austrian children were brought to Italy last summer and given care and good nourishment in Italian homes.

Jugo-Slovakia—Her eastern neighbor shares with France an occasional flare-up of Italian animosity, usually preceded by some international incident which has wounded Italy's pride.

Greece—The feeling between the two countries has been anything but good, but the Greek premier, Gounaris visit to Rome has done much to iron out the differences.

If she has any feeling of affection for another power Italy is directing it, now at least, toward America.

## "LADIES' BROKER" PINES IN TOMBS FOR LACK OF BAIL

Suggests to District Attorney  
That He Be Released to  
"Repay" Victims.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Alfred E. Lindsay, "Ladies' broker," who is alleged to have defrauded wealthy society women he interested in fraudulent stock schemes of close to a million dollars, Thursday continued to languish in a forlorn figure in Tombs prison, while friends are trying to arrange for the \$30,000 bail in which he is held. Lindsay suggested to Asst. Dist. Atty. Richard C. Murphy that his women victims let him out of jail so that he could make money to pay them.

"I can make money, but I can't do anything while I am in jail," pleaded Lindsay.

But thus far, the society women dupes of the broker have turned a deaf ear to his plea and have not receded from their determination to prosecute him and keep him in prison.

Miss Florence James, one of Lindsay's victims, told the district at-

torney that Lindsay, in order to interest women friends of hers in his market schemes staged parties and supplied funds for the affairs. These women, Miss James declares, subsequently became his clients.

## Police Stage Daylight Gun Battle With Broadway Bandits

NEW YORK, March 2.—Three New Yorkers on upper Broadway were started early Thursday when detectives fought a pistol battle over six blocks with three youths alleged to be bandits. Two of the suspects were arrested. The detectives saw the boys come out of a drug store, each carrying bundles of cigars and cigarettes, when called upon to halt, the trio started to run and gun play followed.

The prisoners gave their names as Thomas Lennon, 17, and Philip Lennon, 15.

## Chinese Maritime Strike Spreads to Many Ports

LONDON, March 2.—The maritime strike on the Chinese coast is spreading to many ports, said a Central News dispatch from Shanghai Thursday.

A number of vessels are detained because of the walkout of their crews. The American steamship Empire State was unable to sail from Shanghai because the entire crew struck.

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